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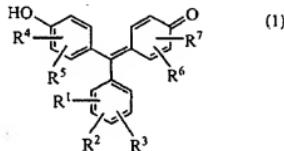
Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listing of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A test piece for creatinine measurement comprising:

a compound expressed by the following formula (1)



where R¹ represents H, SO₃X or COOX,

R⁴ and R⁶ represent OH, SO₃X, or COOX and are either the same or different,

R², R³, R⁵ and R⁷ represent H, OH, Cl, Br, I, NO₂, NO, or CH₃ and are either the same or different, and

xs in the R¹, R⁴ and R⁶ represent H, Na, K, or NH₄ and are either the same or different, and

a transition metal or its salt that forms a colored complex with the compound,

wherein the transition metal is Pd(II).

2. (Original) The test piece for creatinine measurement according to claim 1, wherein the compound is expressed by the following formula (2)